

Legal Services Corporation

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§ 1613.2 Definition.

Criminal proceeding means the adversary judicial process prosecuted by a public officer and initiated by a formal complaint, information, or indictment charging a person with an offense denominated "criminal" by applicable law and punishable by death, imprisonment, or a jail sentence. A misdemeanor or lesser offense tried in an Indian tribal court is not a "criminal proceeding".

§ 1613.3 Prohibition.

Corporation funds shall not be used to provide legal assistance with respect to a criminal proceeding, unless authorized by this part.

§ 1613.4 Authorized representation.

Legal assistance may be provided with respect to a criminal proceeding.

(a) Pursuant to a court appointment made under a statute or a court rule or practice of equal applicability to all attorneys in the jurisdiction, if authorized by the recipient after a determination that it is consistent with the recipient's primary responsibility to provide legal assistance to eligible clients in civil matters; or

(b) When professional responsibility requires representation in a criminal proceeding arising out of a transaction with respect to which the client is being, or has been, represented by a recipient.

PART 1614—PRIVATE ATTORNEY INVOLVEMENT

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§ 1614.1 Purpose.

(a) This part is designed to ensure that recipients of Legal Services Cor-

poration funds involve private attorneys in the delivery of legal assistance to eligible clients. Except as provided hereafter, a recipient of Legal Services Corporation funding shall devote an amount equal to at least twelve and one-half percent (12½%) of the recipient's LSC annualized basic field award to the involvement of private attorneys in such delivery of legal services; this requirement is hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "PAI requirement". Funds received from the Corporation as one-time special grants shall not be considered in determining a recipient's PAI requirement.

(b) Recipients of Native American or migrant funding shall provide opportunity for involvement in the delivery of services by the private bar in a manner which is generally open to broad participation in those activities undertaken with those funds, or shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Corporation that such involvement is not feasible.

(c) Because the Corporation's PAI requirement is based upon an effort to generate the most possible legal services for eligible clients from available, but limited, resources, recipients should attempt to assure that the market value of PAI activities substantially exceeds the direct and indirect costs being allocated to meet the requirements of this Part.

(d) As of January 1, 1986, the term "private attorney" as used in this Part means an attorney who is not a staff attorney as defined in § 1600.1 of these regulations.

(e) After the effective date of this regulation, no PAI funds shall be committed for direct payment to any attorney who for any portion of the previous two years has been a staff attorney as defined in § 1600.1 of these regulations; provided, however, that, for the remainder of the 1986 fiscal year, recipients may honor contractual arrangements made to such private attorneys if these arrangements were made before the effective date of this regulation; provided, further, however, that this paragraph shall not be construed to restrict the use of PAI funds in a *pro bono* or judicare project on the same terms that are available to other